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METHOD

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

following preliminary amendments and remarks respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Before line 1, insert This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP01/04471 which has an International filing date of May 28, 2001, which designated the United States of America.